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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: QRP-L digest 994

QRP-L Digest 994

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- 33) [3250] Interesting analogy about HTML
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by GERALDCUND@aol.com
- 37) [3254] NW8020
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- by "Ray Lowe" <wd5dhk@hotmail.com>
- 44) [3261] Re: HTML
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by "ALAN KAUL" <alan.kaul@worldnet.att.net>
- 46) [3263] Re: HTML
by Roger Hightower <n7kt@earthlink.net>
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by Grover and Doris T <hapence@pop.erols.com>

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 07:18:20 -0500
From: "tom palmer" <n1tp@worldnet.att.net>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3218] fox spot
Message-ID: <19980207001756.AAA9900@default>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

W2MBY is on 7.142 with weak Q5 signal in Florida. 72/73, Tom, N1TP.

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 20:07:06 EST
From: Shepherd@aol.com
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3219] Re: fox spot
Message-ID: <6b239aa4.34dbb3bc@aol.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

I had John at 599 the first 15 minutes, the RF shield around WPAFB was raised. :-(
The hunt goes on.....

72
Dan, N8VZU
QRP-L #1404

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 20:04:29 -0500
From: "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>
To: QRP-L Discussion Group <QRP-L@Lehigh.EDU>, "Doc W.D. Lindsey/K0EVZ"
<70511.3041@compuserve.com>
Subject: [3220] N/T+ FOX W2MBY on 7.142
Message-ID: <199802062007_MC2-3241-2A1E@compuserve.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

Gang:

John W2MBY our N/T+ Fox is on right now...and is he ever doing a good job :-). Plus he is loud here, at least 559+ when I snagged him.

This young man (11 years old--wow!) is a very fine ham with good procedure and CW. Why not give him a shout? Will encourage him and him improve even further.

At 02000z he will QSY to 3686 for anyone desiring 80 Metres. Several have already spoken about wanting to snag him, many with Smite and other rigs. I intend to be there with QRPP...possibly as low as 100mw. We'll see.

Just my \$.02 worth! Good luck everyone in the FYBO tomorrow. I will be joining our MN-QRP (WQ0RP) team in Minneapolis part of the day, at least. Hope we can snag you. Later I may be operating from K0EVZ, so please give me a holler. Hope to hear everyone sometime during the contest.

72/73,
--Doc Lindsey/K0EVZ Rochester, MN--Home of the Mayo Clinic.
MWBC
519-16th Street SE
Rochester, MN 55904
507/288-5108 (eves)

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 20:10:46 EST
From: Shephed@aol.com
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [3221] Re: W2MBY on 3686
Message-ID: <5919d090.34dbb498@aol.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

I'll be looking for you guys as well.

72
Dan, N8VZU
QRP-L #1404

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 21:03:37 -0500
From: "Dean Marzocca" <n2tnn@ifu.net>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3222] Zenith Trans-Oceanic T600 SW Radio
Message-ID: <199802070205.VAA13571@ifu.ifu.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Any one ever hear of on of these radios?? Sounds like an oldie!
Any value to it?
72,73 Dean N2TNN NNJ
n2tnn@ifu.net
turf_man@yahoo.com

Date: Fri, 06 Feb 1998 19:17:40 -0700
From: "John A. Evans - N0HJ" <jaevans@codenet.net>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3223] Hooray !!! Finally WAS !!!
Message-ID: <3.0.5.32.19980206191740.00807460@mail.codenet.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Hi folks,

Finally, after almost a year, I have worked the last state needed for
WAS !! I worked two VT stations so far - KK1L on 20m/SSB and W1FN on 40m/CW.

To top off the event, during warmup I worked JR1MVA on 15m and DJ0JE on 20m.
If the weekend is anything like this afternoon/early evening, it should be

The Fonsworth Method is great when learning the code and I use it on the air most of the time. The extra spacing usually helps make copying the individual characters easier and gives more time for writing them down. Higher character speeds help reduce the tendency of repeating the characters in your head for recognition because each character has a more distinct sound as the speed is increased. Once you have learned the characters and can write them

down instantly, it is a matter of gaining experience at writing faster and faster, up to the character speed. Getting that instantaneous recognition is the key to code. It takes work but it is worth it.

Getting on the air is by far the best practice. Every QSO and every different fists you encounter will teach you something and you will be having so much fun that you won't even notice it. Copying W1AW code practice is also good but it doesn't have the same urgency as a real QSO.

Next best, in my opinion, is practice on a computer. Always push toward the next level, adding another wpm before you feel like you are ready. Most of us never feel ready unless we are at 100%. When using computer for practice, keep the pressure on and stay out of your comfort zone.

If you practice on computer or other method that sends random words only and do not get on the air, here is a word of caution:

When taking your 13 wpm test, cover your copy so that you do not become distracted by the text being sent. In my case, I could copy 15 wpm random words easy and was fairly solid at 18. When I tried to take the sample test on the computer at 13 wpm, I could only pass about one out of four. I had been practicing for about 7 weeks and working real hard at it. When I went to take my Tech Plus exam, I wanted to pass the 13wpm. To loosen up and get over the jitters, I copied the 20wpm code when it was sent. As the test went on, I realized that I was copying most everything. The hand cramp was the worst part of it. The answers to the questions were on my copy sheet when I finished so I took the test and passed the 20wpm. To this day, I wonder if I would have passed the 13 wpm that evening.

Since then, I have dedicated a lot of time to thinking about and studying ways to learn Morse Code. Right now it looks like practice, QRP operating, more practice and a few Fox Hunts along the way are the best ways to become an accomplished CW operator.

I made one ssb QSO in the last two years and that was to check into our local club 10m net. Great net but way too hard to understand what people were saying. I put the mike back on the 2m rig and use it to do a 2m code practice on our club repeater two nights a week. We have been doing that for over a year now and the response has been very gratifying. (Did I spell that right?) Several people have upgraded and others have told me that it has renewed their interest in CW.

Sorry about the bandwidth but I hope this may help someone on the lists. I would like to exchange ideas about learning and teaching code. Also will be happy to share what I have learned with anyone struggling with the code. It takes work but you can do it and have great fun along the way.

72 de AC5JH

QRP-L #1319

Fists CW Club #2507

Date: Fri, 06 Feb 1998 21:38:56 -0500
From: Hank Kohl K8DD <k8dd@contesting.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3225] ***Dayton Rooms***UPDATE***
Message-ID: <3.0.1.32.19980206213856.00de2884@192.0.0.1>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

The list is full at the moment. We are now in "Standby List" mode.
Past experience says that there will be cancellations.

If you want a room, it would be a good idea to get on the Standby
List. If there is a cancellation, the next person on the standby
list will be contacted with a confirmation number and the phone
number to call to hold the reservation.

The going rate is \$72.00 plus 12.5% tax and a \$1.00 safe deposit
(if you use it - make sure that you let the front desk know if you
do or do not want the use of the safe deposit box).

That comes out to \$81.00/nite w/o the safe.

You can put as many people in a room as you can live with!

73 Hank K8DD

*/ Hank Kohl K8DD k8dd@contesting.com
*/ ARRL TS (k8dd@tir.com)
*/ G-QRP ARRL/LM QCWA/LM QCAO/LM
*/ QRP-ARCI - Director MI-QRP - Vice Pres.
*/ <http://www.QRPARCI.org>
*/ <http://www.geocities.com/capecanaveral/2844/miqrp.htm>

Date: Fri, 06 Feb 1998 21:45:39 -0500
From: "Buck, Preston D" <BuckPD@corning.com>
To: "'PDouglas12@aol.com'" <PDouglas12@aol.com>
Cc: "'qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU'" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3226] Re: Novice Fox 3.686 oops n/g
Message-ID: <6B137F61081DD0118DF600805FEAC5C5C8EC7D@SILVER.CORNING.COM>
Content-Return: allowed
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

Hi Preston,

I plan on using 80 meters for FYB0 tomorrow so I will mesmerize 3686 so perhaps we can work Pixie to Yeasu. I plan on using which ever band is open and I am making contacts on.

I am all packed and the battery is getting its last bit of juice. No clouds over the southern tier tonight so the WX guy is calling for a low tonight of 5 degrees F. and a high tomorrow of 30 degrees F. I will have to ask Joe if I can get extra points for never going above freezing. On the bright side, no clouds means lots of sun. (Pun intended) I can take lots of cold if that giant heat tab in the sky shines on me.

73

Preston, n0g1m, Southern NY State

FYB0 location - Pinnacle state park - 1600 ft ASL and highest place around.

>Gang,

>I sometimes don't know what I am thinking of! Foxes aren't on 80 meters by
>official fox rules. So forget I suggested the novice fox come up to 3686--not
>allowed in this year's fox jubilee.

>72,

>Preston Douglas WJ2V

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 19:43:47 -0700 (MST)
From: flydnq7x@primenet.com (Floyd Smithberg)
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3227] ScQRPion Meeting Feb 14
Message-ID: <199802070243.TAA01842@smtp01.primenet.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Looks like our Feb meeting will have to be postponed due to FYB0. Most of

the ScQRPions will be at Pinetop, I'll be home operating NQ7RP and what's left can give out ScQRPion points wherever they're at.
Plan on the Feb meeting at Luby's on the 14th. for FYBO results, pictures, tall tales and much more.
73 Floyd NQ7X Phoenix ScQRPion DM33uq QRP-L 343
ARRL AMSAT ARCI G-QRP NORCAL DX WRKD HF=324 SAT=101 QRP=108

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 20:53:47 -0600
From: "JUNIUS B FOX" <w5hir@gte.net>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3228] Code practice
Message-ID: <01bd3373\$9c859e20\$7a6afed0@w5hir.gte.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: multipart/alternative;
boundary="-----_NextPart_000_0035_01BD3341.51EB2E20"

This is a multi-part message in MIME format.

-----_NextPart_000_0035_01BD3341.51EB2E20
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

I have seen several comments on the Code Examinations. I have =
taught code here in the Clear Lake area. I have had excellent results =
with students in learning the code. In the first place, I send all =
characters at the rate of 20wpm. I only vary the spacing. At first, =
there is a rebellion on the part of the student, but after a short time, =
they begin to copy code using the aggregate sound, and not the =
individual dots and dashes. One thing that I do now, and have insisted =
on in the past is make every student send the code. I don't care how =
fast, as long as the character is well formed. The fact that the =
sending of the code had been eliminated by the FCC IMHO is a serious =
mistake. To be able to copy code is
swell for passing an examination, but then getting on the air, and =
sending something that no one can decipher is a mess. So for this =
reason, I have every one of my students master the code with fluency. =
It doesn't,t take long until
each one is sending with a fist that anyone can copy.

foxy w5hir@get.net
If it ain't broke, don't mess with it!

href=3D"mailto:w5hir@get.net">w5hir@get.net</DIV>
<DIV>If it ain't broke, don't mess with=20
it!</DIV></BODY></HTML>

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Date: Fri, 06 Feb 1998 21:26:56 -0600
From: Karl Heimbach <heimbach@concentric.net>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3229] Ten-Tec 1340 Issues (problems)
Message-ID: <34DBD480.30E2@concentric.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello group,

I seen similar posts in the past regarding the performance issues with the Ten-Tec Model 1330.

I've just assembled a 1340 and have great difficulty loading it with a tuner. Looking at the antenna output with a 'scope, when the rig is terminated into a dummy load, all looks fine. However, as soon as I switch over to my antenna (a Cushcraft A-3 with a 40 meter kit) and attempt to trim the SWR with a MFJ 949D tuner, the output becomes garbage (lots of hash at around 5.5 Mhz).

I would appreciate it if anyone with a similar experience or solution to this problem would contact me.

Regards,

Karl - W5QJ

Date: 6 Feb 1998 21:39:31 -0500
From: "rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3230] html and burying it and coax
Message-ID: <n1325321283.8383@msmailgw1.arlut.utexas.edu>

For those of us on Digest, (D I G E S T), deleting thru

html gibberish is tiresome. (Especially those 100k accidents!)

a reflector should be IMHO, a text sharing, radiogram-like quick exchange or short paper.

HTML: I don't want to use it, I want to lose it! :-)

Burying Coax: (directly), DON'T, unless you want to shorten its life, and buy more sooner than if you put it in PVC pipe sealed against moisture. See the Wireman's Book by Press Jones, or attend one of his seminars at the larger ham conventions.

A common misconception is that "non-contaminating" coax means it can be placed in direct contact with soil, but that is not the preferred way of running it underground. That jacket is just less likely to outgas contamination into the shield, in normal use.

You could run ladder line across a yard, from the eaves of the house, and put up your own PVC 'telephone' poles, using PVC pipe. You could either top each one with a Tee or just use nylon cable ties to secure the ladder line to the side of the pole. Might cap the pole to prevent water freezing inside it, and be sure to use UV resistant cable ties. (Or change them every couple years). Be sure to get the PVC that is used for electrical conduit as it is supposed to be UV resistant. White PVC weathers more.

72, Stuart K5KVH (text forever, :-)

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 22:40:23 -0500
From: Thomas J McCuen <TMcCuen@compuserve.com>
To: QRP-L Lehigh Server <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3231] Not QRP but important re FCC
Message-ID: <199802062240_MC2-324E-FC87@compuserve.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Disposition: inline

Hello:

This is inform you of a very important matter currently under review by the FCC. Your local telephone company has filed as proposal with the FCC to impose per minute charges for your internet service. They contend that your usage has or will hinder the operation of the telephone network. E-mail, in my opinion, will diminish if users were required to pay additional per minute charges. The FCC has created an email box for your comments. Responses must be received by February 13, 1998.

Send your comments to "isp@fcc.gov" and tell them what you think. Every phone company is in on this one, and they are trying to sneak it in just under the wire for litigation. Let everyone you know hear about this one. Get this e-mail address to everyone you can think of. FCC e-mail address is: isp@fcc.gov This is really important to e-mail users. Especially those who do not have access through their work. If we have to pay for e-mail, the cost is going to skyrocket. It's about the only thing now that is cost-effective. Please make your opinions known to the FCC. Tell your friends, tell everyone who uses E-mail.

Take the time to send a quick email.

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 23:08:23 -0500 (EST)
From: "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>
To: chuck adams <adams@chuck.dallas.sgi.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3232] OH MY Gosh... Re: Not QRP but important re FCC
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.95.980206224445.12403A-100000@vela.acs.oakland.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Incredibly, On Fri, 6 Feb 1998, <name removed to save face> forwarded a popular internet chain mail that just TWO WEEKS ago caused great anguish and bandwidth wasting (i.e. non qrp content) to QRP-L:

> This is inform you of a very important matter currently under review
> by the FCC. Your local telephone company has filed as proposal with the

<snip>

Just shoot me... somebody please, just get it over, I can't deal with it anymore... release the badgers...

Chuck please... how about this, we'll call it KC's Rule. From now on, if anyone forwards to QRP-L a message that suggests that it be forwarded to everybody you know, in this case <quoting here>:

> opinions known to the FCC. Tell your friends, tell everyone who uses
> E-mail.

Ban 'em. End of discussion. Just get it over with. Do it for me, do it for your families, DO IT FOR... The United States of America!!!

By the way... don't shoot me. I've just been a little under the weather (flu) this week.

73! =paul= W8KC
Collector of Ten*Tecs and other fine plastics

<http://www.acs.oakland.edu/~prvalko>

ObQRP : One of my dear friends renewed a several-month-lapsed license just this week and is getting back into the hobby via a KC-Loaner HF rig. Looks like my old 509 may suit him well as he has no 20 amp 12vdc supply available. He subscribes to a dozen email reflectors and complains that he gets a TOTAL of about two DOZEN emails each day from these other reflectors...

DARE I suggest he subscribe to QRP-L???? <evil grin> BWWwaaaahahahahaha!

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 23:31:31 -0500 (EST)
From: "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3233] CLARIFICATION Re: OH MY Gosh...
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.95.980206231859.12403B-1000000@vela.acs.oakland.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

What is the real evil of this particular chain email letter???

- 1) It's not *exactly* true.
It's a great-great-great grandchild of the 1990 (yes Virginia, there was an internet back then...) Modem Tax chain letter.
The REAL FCC issue on this was dated for comments by 1997.
Someone "up the chain" edited the date by a year to keep the

letter in circulation.

2) It's malicious.

Even if there WERE an email address you could reply to (the one in the letter is bogus) the INTENT is to "mailstorm" a server. That means, create so much mail being sent to a server that it eventually crashes. Servers withOUT that address still TRY to figure out where it should go. This chain letter was designed to crash an FCC server.

3) It goes against common sense.

Why oh why would ANY responsible individual send you a message and think it so important that you should forward it to every person you know? There IS no reason.

73! =paul= W8KC

Collector of Ten*Tecs and other fine plastics

<http://www.acs.oakland.edu/~prvalko>

ObQRP : that's it... I'm shutting it off and going to 7.040

Date: Wed, 3 Jan 1996 04:41:29 -0800 (PST)
From: Sam <kc5tja@animeonline.ml.org>
To: Thomas J McCuen <TMcCuen@compuserve.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3234] HOAX -- Re: Not QRP but important re FCC
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.3.96.960103042138.8357C-100000@animeonline.ml.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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> telephone network. E-mail, in my opinion, will diminish if users were
> required to pay additional per minute charges. The FCC has created an
> email box for your comments. Responses must be received by February 13,
> 1998.

This is a HOAX that has been circulating about the Internet for the past five years that I can remember. As the system administrator for an ISP

who works VERY closely our local telephone company, I have NEVER heard anything of this nature before except as a scandalous chain letter on the Internet. The FCC has also confirmed this.

If anything, the phone companies themselves would be AGAINST this. In our area, for instance, they are ready to unveil new technology that will obliterate cable modems as far as reliability and speed is concerned. And, to boot, it's still compatible with your current phone system. It uses standard, 600-ohm telephone cable. It uses phone numbers for switching purposes (that means that ARP tables will have IP <--> phone number translations instead of IP/Ethernet or IP/X.25), and makes extensive use of ATM and ADSL-like technology. This technology is actually being designed to REPLACE traditional analog phone equipment.

By having the FCC put a tax/tariff on the use of Internet over phone line, the market for this new technology, of which they invested MILLIONS of dollars in, would dwindle to nothingness overnight. PacBell would *NOT* like that, and is very much against this sort of activity as a result. It simply does not make ANY business sense.

Another issue involved here would be -- how do you know it's Internet access? To the rest of the switching equipment, everything fits inside a 6kHz bandwidth AF signal. Switching equipment of today simply can't identify IP traffic. Even if it knew it was electronically generated, how does it know you're not calling Joe Schmoe's Coffee-house BBS, and not Starfleet Academy's Public Internet Access Servers?

And the last issue, of course, is how it could be regulated. It simply can't. Hackers can find ways of making new modulation methods for modems *OVERNIGHT* (I'd love to use Clover over a phone line -- it'd probably make for a far more reliable 33.6Kbps connection than current techniques), which would immediately break ALL monitoring equipment.

Further questions on this situation should be directed to kc5tja@axisinternet.com, which is my direct e-mail address. All further discussion on this topic should be conducted via e-mail, either to me, or to your local ISP's system administrator.

Samuel A. Falvo II
Technical Manager, AxisInternet

KC5TJA/6	- TEAM DOLPHIN -
QRP-L #1447	Chief Architect and Project Founder (web page under construction)

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 23:58:04 EST
From: KB90CE@aol.com
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU (Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion)
Subject: [3235] The final word from Uncle....
Message-ID: <f45fee0a.34dbe9e0@aol.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: multipart/mixed;
 boundary="part0_886827486_boundary"

This is a multi-part message in MIME format.

--part0_886827486_boundary
Content-ID: <0_886827486@inet_out.mail.aol.com.1>
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII

I am forwarding what the FCC sent me tonight right after I put my foot in my mouth. You thought I was kidding when I said "Ooops"? This will probably happen about the same time that there's a Head Tax levied on Washington Interns.

--part0_886827486_boundary
Content-ID: <0_886827486@inet_out.mail.aol.com.2>
Content-type: message/rfc822
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit
Content-disposition: inline

Return-Path: <MAILER-DAEMON@gatekeeper.fcc.gov>
Received: from relay23.mail.aol.com (relay23.mail.aol.com [172.31.106.69]) by air18.mail.aol.com (v38.1) with SMTP; Fri, 06 Feb 1998 23:40:17 -0500
Received: from gatekeeper.fcc.gov (gatekeeper1.fcc.gov [192.104.54.1]) by relay23.mail.aol.com (8.8.5/8.8.5/AOL-4.0.0) with ESMTP id XAA18818 for <KB90CE@aol.com>; Fri, 6 Feb 1998 23:39:02 -0500 (EST)
Received: by gatekeeper.fcc.gov; id XAA22365; Fri, 6 Feb 1998 23:33:00 -0500 (EST)
Received: from mail.fcc.gov(165.135.30.12) by gatekeeper.fcc.gov via smap (3.2) id xma022358; Fri, 6 Feb 98 23:32:41 -0500
Received: from FCCMAIL-Message_Server by fcc.gov with Novell_GroupWise; Fri, 06 Feb 1998 23:38:15 -0500
Message-Id: <s4db9ee7.010@fcc.gov>
X-Mailer: Novell GroupWise 4.1
Date: Fri, 06 Feb 1998 23:35:01 -0500

From: ISP <ISP@fcc.gov>
Sender: Postmaster@fcc.gov
Reply-To: ISP@fcc.gov
Errors-To: Postmaster@fcc.gov
To: KB90CE@aol.com
Subject: Important notice..... -Reply
Content-Disposition: inline
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

This is an automated response to the message you sent to isp@fcc.gov. We established this mailbox for informal comments about usage of the public switched telephone network by Internet access and information service providers for a proceeding on this matter in 1997.

If you are responding to a message stating that local phone companies have asked the FCC for permission to impose per-minute charges for Internet access, please be aware that this information is out of date. The FCC decided in May 1997 NOT to allow imposition of interstate access charges on Internet service providers. There is no comment period currently open in this proceeding.

More information on Access Charges and the ISP proceeding is available at <<http://www.fcc.gov/isp.html>>

Look for more features and announcements on our Web site, <<http://www.fcc.gov/>>, in the future!

updated 1/6/98..

--part0_886827486_boundary--

Date: Sat, 07 Feb 1998 05:14:04 -0500
From: "Rich Dailey, KA8OKH" <ka8okh@som-uky.campus.mci.net>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3236] FYBO & Sprint. Grrr...
Message-ID: <3.0.16.19980207051318.2f87dff4@som-uky.campus.mci.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

I have had electricity for a total of maybe 8 hours since Tuesday night. Still shoveling snow. The mailman delivers A WM-1 today (ok, I meet him halfway down the driveway). FYBO and sprint tomorrow. No electricity. Grrr...

I should have learned long ago to shake my dependancy on AC mains.
Gotta go. Electricity just might g

Rich Dailey, KA8OKH <ka8okh@som-uky.campus.mci.net>
The KA8OKH / KB4NPI Web - <http://www.qsl.net/ka8okh>

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 23:16:25 +0000
From: "Rod Logsdon" <bike4life@bikerider.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3237] Re: OH MY Gosh... Re: Not QRP but important re FCC
Message-ID: <19980207050901.FSBE5018@[206.141.215.85]>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

> Chuck please... how about this, we'll call it
> KC's Rule. From now on, if anyone forwards to
> QRP-L a message that suggests that it be
> forwarded to everybody you know, in this case
> <quoting here>:
>
> > opinions known to the FCC. Tell your friends,
> > tell everyone who uses E-mail.
>
> Ban 'em. End of discussion. Just get it over
> with. Do it for me, do it for your families, DO
> IT FOR... The United States of America!!!
>

AMEN!!!

72/73 de Rod Logsdon ... WK9T
Carol Stream, IL
QRP-L # 616 ARS # 153
E-mail: bike4life@bikerider.com

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 00:26:39 EST
From: KC5NGS@aol.com
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [3238] unsubscribe
Message-ID: <a8b95c7b.34dbf091@aol.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

i hope i am doing this right i would like to unsubscribe from the list until further notice.

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 22:27:52 -0700
From: gsurrency@juno.com (Gary L Surrency)
To: heimbach@concentric.net
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3239] Re: Ten-Tec 1340 Issues (problems)
Message-ID: <19980206.222752.11926.0.gsurrency@juno.com>

Until you get a solution for the spurious output problem, you might try what I have used on my 38 Special. Tune the antenna with a SWR analyzer, such as the MFJ-259 I have, or use whatever else you might have access to. This could be the Autek units, or even a noise bridge. If you get the antenna tuner tuned up for a resistive 50 ohm match before the rig is attached, the transceiver will be much less likely to burst into spurious output. You may also save your finals. ;-)

This also saves a lot of other hams QRM while you are tuning up, and is good practice for anyone. Of course, if your tuner is an automatic one such as the LDG auto tuners, you'll have to transmit a small amount of RF to get the tuner operating. In that case, your rig must tolerate some mismatch without going into spurious operation.

There is also a product for sale known as the Tuner - Tuner, and though I've seen it advertised in QST but I don't recall the manufacturer. It allows you to "tune" your antenna tuner before transmitting, much as a noise bridge would do.

Lacking all of these devices, you'll have to get some help from another ham or use a different rig to adjust the tuner, or use an antenna that has already been matched for low SWR and an impedance close to 50 ohms resistive.

And don't hesitate to call Ten-Tec for help. I hear they are very good at resolving problems like the one you have.

72,

Gary Surrency AB7MY
S&S TAC-1(40&80m) ARK30 38S OHR100 w/KC-2 HW-9 TS-570D
QRP-L #571 Chandler, AZ (near Phoenix)Grid Square DM43BH

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Or call Juno at (800) 654-JUNO [654-5866]

Date: Fri, 06 Feb 1998 22:55:37 -0800
From: Monte Stark <ku7y@dri.edu>
To: rohre@arlut.utexas.edu
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3240] Re: html and burying it and coax
Message-ID: <34DC0569.92C95B50@dri.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

rohre wrote:

>
> Burying Coax: (directly), DON'T, unless you want to shorten
> its life, and buy more sooner than if you put it in PVC pipe
> sealed against moisture. See the Wireman's Book
> by Press Jones, or attend
> one of his seminars at the larger ham conventions.
>

Hi Stuart and All,

All pipe that is put underground fills with water. There is only ONE way that I know of to keep it dry and that is to keep a positive pressure with a gas like Nitrogen. Many high powered TV stations do this with their hard line.

If air gets in, water forms. It starts as just a bit of moisture but with time collects and it will fill the pipe.

I can see where the pipe will keep the soil from contaminating the coax and I will be putting my hard line in plastic pipe. But I will also have some small holes drilled in the pipe to let the water out!

Agree about the HTML!

And I am just now using Netscape 4.X. It defaults to sending everything as HTML. If this messages comes out with the HTML stuff, please let me know. While I think I have it turned off, you never know!!

cul,

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73, Ron, KU7Y

NRA Life-----Ex W6JX0, DL4RF, N7CRV-----SOWP #5545-M
QRP ARCI #8829----NorCal #330----QRP-L #17-----ARS #49
AR QRP #150-----DM09cg-----New Washoe City, NV

Date: Fri, 06 Feb 1998 23:43:11 -0800
From: Monte Stark <ku7y@dri.edu>
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3241] QRP Teams for the Sprint
Message-ID: <34DC108F.266B83F8@dri.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi All,

Here is the line-up for the major assault on the contest community tomorrow during the NA Sprint.

QRP Warlords:

K1MG
NQ7X
KA8OKH
KU7Y
W4WS (Op N4VHK)

Les Petits Guerillas:

KK6MC/5
N6GA
KJ3V
K5FO

NC7W

We are going to have a blast! Keep your ears open for us. We will be the little signals hopping all over the place!

Also watch for me in the FYB0. I'll be giving 20m a good try. I need to get WAS with my 200 mW before Chuck does....
!!

Everyone have fun and whatever you do, send in your scores to the contest sponsors to let them know you were there! Without your scores they don't know what's going on.

Enjoy, cul,

--

73, Ron, KU7Y

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AR QRP #150-----DM09cg-----New Washoe City, NV

Date: Sat, 07 Feb 1998 00:07:47 -0800
From: "D.K. Philbin" <dphilbin@slonet.org>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3242] Mike Gipe's e-mail address??
Message-ID: <1.5.4.32.19980207080747.006bedd0@slonet.org>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Help..I have lost Mike Gipe's e-mail address!

D.K. Philbin KD6TK

Date: Sat, 07 Feb 1998 08:14:10 -0800
From: Tony Fishpool <g4wif@btinternet.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3243] RE: Those dern HTML files, How to use them plus
Message-ID: <34DC8852.47F1@btinternet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

We've had postings on how to filter/display HTML, but I would contend that it is just poor form to send them in the first place. I think it behoves us all to learn how to use our mailers to best effect. Please turn HTML off.

We also quite often see:-

This is a multi-part message in MIME format.

-----534F4CA47342
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
<snip>

..... followed by miles more gibberish, before we actually get to the message. Some folk's postings always appear this way. WHY?? and can it be turned off?

We've seen justification for HTML as offering a means of attaching all manner of things like graphics. RTF has also been suggested. But until we are all using client software that can handle this, and we all have virtually unlimited bandwidth to down load this stuff (and there are no free calls to your ISP on this side of the pond), can we please just send text?

<sound fx> - G4WIF getting off soapbox.

Date: Fri, 6 Feb 1998 23:38:09 -0900 (AST)
From: Bruce Hopkins - KL7JAF <kl7jaf@polarnet.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3244] FYBO - Alaskan Style
Message-ID: <v03007800b1014d6c0704@[204.119.15.45]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Hi Gang...

What with the looks of the propagation forecast it looks like 20m is going to be about my only shot from this latitude... I will try to hang out in the vicinity of 14.0615 +/-... I will try to be there as long as the band is open... Sure hope to be able to work a bunch of you guys...

Have fun... FYB's off... Looks like it is going to be in the mid teens here tomorrow... To warm for antenna work so I guess I'll just operate by the fireplace... Heck at those temps we think nothing of torching off the barbie...

I'll be thinking of you all out there in those tents and snow caves doing it for fun... I do it for a living 8^)

72 / 73 / oo's - Bruce - KL7JAF

"Alaska QRP Club" - Web Site: <http://www2.polarnet.com/~bhopskins/akqrp>

***** ALASKA QSO PARTY - MARCH 21ST & 22ND 1998 *****
See AKQRP Web Site for Details

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 05:27:50 -0500
From: tracy@orlando.com (Tracy)
To: "QRP-L (E-mail)" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3245] RE: OH MY Gosh... Re: Not QRP but important re FCC
Message-ID: <01BD3389.37569840.tracy@orlando.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

There is indeed a posting at <http://www.fcc.gov/isp.html> regarding the restructuring of the rate system.

If you actually read the huge discussion, you begin to get the feel for how important "competition" is between the various companies. It looks like they're actually trying to make it CHEAPER, not more expensive.

BUT, read
http://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Factsheets/ispfact.html

Where it CLEARLY states --

"In December 1996, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) requested public comment on issues relating to the charges that Internet Service Providers (ISPs) and similar companies pay to local telephone companies. On May 7, 1997, the FCC decided to leave the existing rate structure in place. In other words, the FCC decided not to allow local telephone companies to impose per-minute access charged on ISPs.

Please Note: There is no open comment period in this proceeding. If you have recently seen a message on the Internet stating that in response to a request from local telephone companies, the FCC is requesting comments to <isp@fcc.gov> by February 1998, be aware that this information is inaccurate."

Either way, read the things before you jump to conclusions.
Tracy, N4LGH

Date: Sat, 07 Feb 1998 06:13:47 -0800
From: LYN WILLIAMS <designserv@ipass.net>
To: ku7y@dri.edu
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3246] Re: burying coax
Message-ID: <34DC6C1B.6E248F0@ipass.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi, Ron & others:

Plastic pipe put underground to carry antenna lead does not always have to fill -- many times, you can put one end lower than the other and let it drain into a sump dug for the purpose.

73,
Lyn, W4WDN

Monte Stark wrote:

All pipe that is put underground fills with water. There is

> only ONE way that I know of to keep it dry and that is to
> keep a positive pressure with a gas like Nitrogen. Many high
> powered TV stations do this with their hard line.
>
> If air gets in, water forms. It starts as just a bit of
> moisture but with time collects and it will fill the pipe.

> 73, Ron, KU7Y
>

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 06:55:01 -0500
From: "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@talon.net>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3247] Oak Hills Research Web Link
Message-ID: <01bd33bf\$386bc940\$275445c6@default>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello All,

Anyone know the correct link to Oak Hills Research?

Thanks,
73, Good DXing & QRPing
Ron de WB3AAL

E-mail: wb3aal@talon.net
BBS: WB3AAL @ WB3FYL.#BER.PA.USA.NA

EPA QRP # 1 QRP # 5318 10-10 # 13173
QRP-L # 1099 G-QRP # 3031 AK QRP # 309

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 09:11:37 -0500
From: "Ron Polityka" <wb3aal@talon.net>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3248] Re: Oak Hills Research Web Link
Message-ID: <01bd33d2\$4d812560\$635445c6@default>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks All !!

73, Good DXing & QRPing
Ron de WB3AAL

E-mail: wb3aal@talon.net
BBS: WB3AAL @ WB3FYL.#BER.PA.USA.NA

EPA QRP # 1 QRP # 5318 10-10 # 13173
QRP-L # 1099 G-QRP # 3031 AK QRP # 309

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 09:25:10 -0500
From: Thomas J McCuen <TMcCuen@compuserve.com>
To: "INTERNET:designserv@ipass.net" <designserv@ipass.net>, QRP-L Lehigh Server
<qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3249] Re: burying coax
Message-ID: <199802070926_MC2-324E-28E5@compuserve.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Disposition: inline

Message text written by INTERNET:designserv@ipass.net
>Hi, Ron & others:

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does not always have to fill -- many times, you can put one
end lower than the other and let it drain into a sump
dug for the purpose.

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> powered TV stations do this with their hard line.
>
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> moisture but with time collects and it will fill the pipe.

> 73, Ron, KU7Y
>

Try water sprinkler pipe.... you can add T connectors with drains every 2=0' or so to prevent water build up.

Tom
<

Date: Sat, 07 Feb 1998 07:29:53 -0700
From: Jess Gypin <jessqrp@concentric.net>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3250] Interesting analogy about HTML
Message-ID: <34DC6FE0.9E84F7FE@concentric.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have been reading and receiving (sheesh!) lots of posts about the HTML boo boo that I made and that others have made. In almost all cases, the fact that the messages had some HTML in it was a cockpit error or lack of understanding on the part of the person that sent it. The result was some posts that were humored by it, and an equal if not higher number of posts that went something like "DO NOT POST HTML OR DIE!" all the way to "Oh, well, didn't bother me, but please don't". That's cool.

Here was my thought. If someone new to QRP was on the air trying to make a QSO, or sending CQ poorly, or needed help with a rig or had a question, etc..You get the point. If someone new to QRP made a similarly equal, but radio error, they probably would never be responded to here in a hostile fashion. I have no excuse for my error. I am a computer guy and I made a mistake. Others, however, have made LEARNING errors.

Just think about that for a minute. Someone is new to QRP or ham radio and makes a mistake, and we gently correct and elmer. Someone makes the same beginners or humna error posting GASP! html to the list, and they are not so gently corrected.

I guess that just shows that we all have conditioned responses, but! qrp-l should be one of the havens of gentle people in this world gone mad.....

Last from me about this. Nils, send in the badgers and nurses with the meds! I will just go twitch quietly in the corner now.....

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 09:12:20 -0500
From: "John J. McDonough" <jjmcd@mdn.net>
To: <wb3aal@talon.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3251] Re: Oak Hills Research Web Link
Message-ID: <199802071428.4529900@midland2.mdn.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> From: Ron Polityka <wb3aal@talon.net>; owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
>
> Anyone know the correct link to Oak Hills Research?

Umm, just drive aboput 30 miles west of here, in the middle of nowhere.

> BBS: WB3AAL @ WB3FYL.#BER.PA.USA.NA

Oh, I guess it's a little more than 30 miles. Well, then, how about

<http://www.ohr.com>

73 de WB8RCR

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 09:35:54 -0500
From: "\"W. Kimura\"." <W.Kimura@valley.net>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3252] FYBO 20M Rig or The Worlds Slowest Builder
Message-ID: <199802071435.JAA05685@norwich.valley.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Well folks, it's Feb. 7th, 1430 UTC and all of the soldering
is done. We are just a final recieve and xmit alignment
away from joining the fray on 20M,
CUL ES 72!
Kim Kimura N1MVU

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 09:41:33 EST
From: GERALDCUND@aol.com
To: wb3aal@talon.net

Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3253] Re: Oak Hills Research Web Link
Message-ID: <1834e682.34dc72a0@aol.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Oak Hills Research Web Link is:

<http://www.ohr.com/>

Gerald,KE4LIA

Date: Sat, 07 Feb 1998 08:14:39 -0700
From: tom whalen <whalen@swcp.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3254] NW8020
Message-ID: <34DC7A5F.6F6F@swcp.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Fellow Qrpers!

Just finished my Emtech 20 meter rig just in time for the FYBO! Will be on 40-10 meters today and hope the band gods are with us!

Sure would have liked to go to Az with the group. Maybe we will be able to make Tuthill.No use for the spud gun today where Im going....darn!

Have to settle for a wire hanging off of a 20ft pushup, and my kite antenna if the wind is blowing(forgot this is New Mexico)!Everyone have a good FYBO and hope to work you. 72, Tom WB5QYT ..."Have spud will travel!"

Date: Sat, 07 Feb 1998 10:10:54 -0600
From: "George T. Baker" <w5yr@swbell.net>
To: w5usj@webwide.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3255] Re: N9DD Log for Feb. 5
Message-ID: <34DC878E.E1AE9F04@swbell.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Chuck, from my experience over many years, I would predict that you are going to find a great deal of time-varying difference between the performance of vertical and horizontal antennas on 40.

Presently I have 4 antenna systems here: 40 and 30 meter verticals on the ground fed in parallel over 60 radials; 40 meter horizontal EDZ; 40-meter full-wave horizontal loop at about 20 ft; and four parallel-fed dipoles (80, 40, 30, and 20) in the attic. My experience has been that almost from minute to minute, especially at night, the "best" receiving capability varies widely and frequently among these antennas.

I have just about worn out a good, heavy-duty antenna selector switch switching among these (and other) antennas over the years. Be sure to provide yourself with a switch, and be prepared to use it!

Actually, it is very interesting to watch the "cloud warmer" horizontal loop outperform at times the EDZ, etc. while the vertical may be better than both for a few minutes later. Most surprising is how well the attic dipoles work, though they pick up much more noise.

As you can see, I am a firm believer in lots of skywire!

--
73, George
Amateur Radio W5YR
QRP-L #1373
QRP ARCI #9583
AutoPOWER Systems
Fairview, TX

Chuck Carpenter wrote:

>
> On nights with quickly changing conditions, I wonder if antenna polarity is
> more of a factor. I'm using a Butternut HF9V and am about to put up a
> W9INN 40 thru 10 dipole. It'll be interesting to see if reception is
> better on one or the other. I never heard Tom with the vertical after about
> 0125 but I heard other TX 5s working him.
>
> 72/73 -- Chuck, W5USJ
> Rains County (pop 6900), TX - EM22cv
> ARCI # 5422, QRP-L # 1306, FISTS # 3984

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 08:18:51 -0800 (PST)
From: Monte Stark <ku7y@sage.dri.edu>
To: Jess Gypin <jessqrp@concentric.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3256] Re: Interesting analogy about HTML
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.90.980207081413.18115B-1000000@vortex>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Jess & All,

About inadvertantly sending HTML junk....

I loaded Netscape 4.X here at home last night. The first thing I did was send out an e-mail and just as I watched it flicker and window jump with all it's mighty display, the thought struck me.....I had not turned off the default HTML option yet!!

Just to prove once again that ANY of us can find a way to screw up. Some of us manage to do it without much work!

But I agree that we should keep it (HTML) turned off for general posting. When using Pine on the UNIX machine I just hit the delete key when I see HTML.

OBQRP: Time to get the contest Qs started. What are you doing reading e-mail? FYBO!! NOW!!

73, Ron, SOWP 5545M,

.....KU7Y.....ARCI #8829.....Monte "Ron" Stark.....
....ku7y@sage.dri.edu.....Washoe Lake, Nevada....
....QRP-L #17...ARS #49...NorCal #330.....NRA LIFE.....

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 12:03:29 -0500
From: Duane <duane@flinet.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3257] RE: HTML
Message-ID: <01BD33C1.870E2DC0@pm6-42.flinet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

I don't understand the total problem with people using the html=20
Feature of their email programs. It is very common in today's
Email program to make use of the html . Maybe we should try to upgrade
Our systems or programs to the more modern programs rather than complain
About someone using a common tool. It sort of like saying we should all
Use tube gear and no transistor rigs allowed. I like reading the =
messages on
This list and enjoy the discussions about radio but there are several =
who just want=20
to wine, find fault, not change, and impose their will on others. If =
you don't like html hit the delete key. That's what I'll be doing on =
the flame mail I'll be receiving. I will read the=20
ones wanting to discuss this matter. Those wanting to complain, wine , =
not change will simply
be deleted.

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 08:58:39 -0800 (PST)
From: Stanley Wilson <microres@crl.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3258] HAMCAL - ERROR ???? in PIMATCH.BAS
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.980207085340.716A-100000@crl4.crl.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I think there is an error in this routine (pgm) in the way it calculates
minimum Q and then uses that value to calculate XC1, XC2, XL1.

I have used Doug's (W1FB) equations from his RF Manual and also the
equations in the ARRL handbook (ch. 2) and get the same values. But with
the HamCal program I get cap values about 30 % smaller and inductance value
about 30 % higher.

I am not the best programmer in Basic but think the pgm is missing some
"()" in its equations.

Anyone else use this program ? Pi Match calculations ? Or anyone have a
good set of values they know to be correct we could check it with.

de stan ak0b

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 12:23:49 -0500
From: "John J. McDonough" <jjmcd@mdn.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3259] Re: Those dern HTML files, How to use them plus
Message-ID: <199802071718.4557500@midland2.mdn.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I'm concerned about this HTML battle ... there has been a lot of flame and misinformation posted.

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> We also quite often see:-
>
> This is a multi-part message in MIME format.
>
> -----534F4CA47342
> Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
> Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
> <snip>
>
> followed by miles more gibberish, before we actually get to the
> message. Some folk's postings always appear this way. WHY?? and can it
> be turned off?

This is the normal, standard internet mail protocol. If you are seeing it sometimes, then probably the messages are not quite perfect enough for your mail reader. If you are seeing it frequently, your mail reader is broke. If you are seeing it rarely, then it's just a question of occasionally getting a trashed up message.

MIME allows for the transmission of graphics as well as text, although some (mostly older) mail readers can't handle the graphics. In terms of getting content across, there is almost no reason to use HTML.

HTML is not a standard way to format mail, rather, it is part of the feature battle between Microsoft and Netscape. Until everyone is using a Microsoft mail reader (I assume there's almost no chance of everyone using a Netscape mail reader), you can rest assured that a large number of people will be unable to read your HTML formatted mail -- MSN and Netscape are each working hard to be incompatible with the other, Of course, in the process they are also incompatible with the hundreds of other readers, but since the 2 of them represent almost all NEW mail clients, they don't care. To play on the internet, however, they need to be compatible with MIME, so MIME is a safe bet.

It's been claimed, and refuted, that graphic content can be encoded in HTML pages. In fact, it can, but it almost never is. I have not seen a Windows based program capable of including graphics in an HTML page. Usually, as some other poster pointed out, POINTERS to the graphics are included. Although the graphics themselves can be included in the MIME message that also includes the HTML, I know of no way for the included HTML to point to the included graphics (although I saw one posting that appeared to be trying). If the HTML page is properly formatted (and those on this list almost never are), then the graphics can be grabbed off the net if you are connected when you are reading your mail.

> We've seen justification for HTML as offering a means of attaching all
> manner of things like graphics. RTF has also been suggested. But until
> we are all using client software that can handle this, and we all have
> virtually unlimited bandwidth to down load this stuff (and there are no
> free calls to your ISP on this side of the pond), can we please just
> send text?

I think this is a more important issue. Not everyone has unlimited bandwidth ... a lot of people pay for connect time. Not everyone has unlimited disk to store these messages. Most of the messages I've seen in HTML include BOTH a plain text and an HTML version of the message. So not only is there extra bandwidth for the HTML tags, but there's a whole additional copy. As hams, and as QRPers, we should be sensitive to waste, even if it's not RF.

Personally, I think it would be worthwhile once in a while to attach a schematic to a message, and MIME allows this. Heck, even an HTML page that led me to the graphic on the net wouldn't be so bad ... but just to have a green background on your message, or to force a particular font? Does that really add value worth the extra bandwidth? This is for people who use 3-500's in their finals, not 2N3866's.

Just my ravings...

73 de WB8RCR

Date: Sat, 07 Feb 1998 09:33:52 PST
From: "Ray Lowe" <wd5dhk@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU, gsurrency@juno.com
Subject: [3260] Re: Ten-Tec 1340 Issues (problems)
Message-ID: <19980207173352.8144.qmail@hotmail.com>
Content-Type: text/plain

Another option is to use a resistive swr bridge. That way, the rig will see approximately 50 ohms regardless of the mismatch while tuning the transmatch. It also will cut the amount of RF radiated while tuning up.

72

Ray Lowe
WD5DHK
Lancaster, Tx (near Dallas)

Get Your Private, Free Email at <http://www.hotmail.com>

Date: Sat, 07 Feb 1998 12:59:04 -0800
From: Monte Stark <ku7y@dri.edu>
To: duane@flinet.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3261] Re: HTML
Message-ID: <34DCCB18.E45F7847@dri.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Duane and all,

Something that I think is being overlooked is that the people who are using Windows based systems can not only handle the HTML without any trouble but they can also get the pictures, drawings and such from a WEB site.

Those who use UNIX systems that have more primitive mail programs can't do either! And I think the same goes for DOS based systems.

So far in all the HTML messages I've seen there has not been anything done that couldn't have been done without the HTML.

The BandWidth is a very important issue for many. And it's one of the driving factors in taking people off the list in favor of the digests. But the HTML inflates the digests too.

So while there sure isn't anything wrong with HTML and it might well be argued that it's "better" or more "modern", the fact still remains that many people are inconvenienced by it.

My feelings are that we have the WEB for all the fancy things we need. And we have QRP-L for the much faster, bread & butter ASCII text.

No flames intended. Just my feelings.

OK, back to FYBO. 20m been spotty. 40m is good. No QRPers heard on 15m or 10m.

200 mW is fun!

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73, Ron, KU7Y

NRA Life-----Ex W6JX0, DL4RF, N7CRV-----SOWP #5545-M
QRP ARCI #8829-----NorCal #330-----QRP-L #17-----ARS #49
AR QRP #150-----DM09cg-----New Washoe City, NV

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 13:08:07 -0800
From: "ALAN KAUL" <alan.kaul@worldnet.att.net>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [3262] Herring Aid 5
Message-ID: <19980207210859.AAA13119@oemcomputer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Does anyone have the HERRING AID 5 schematic that could be scanned and sent to me as an attachment (Circad, jpg, gif, would be preferred). Or is it on a website anyone knows of.... pls and tnx and fybo! 73/72 de alan

Alan Kaul, W6RCL
LaCanada-Flintridge, CA
<http://home.att.net/~alan.kaul/w6rcl.html>
alan.kaul@worldnet.att.net
w6rcl@amsat.org

Date: Fri, 06 Feb 1998 15:05:07 -0700
From: Roger Hightower <n7kt@earthlink.net>
To: ku7y@dri.edu, qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3263] Re: HTML
Message-ID: <34DB8913.EDFE7069@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Aha! How I know why your sig sounded a little puny. 200 mW explains it. Glad to have made the contact.

GL.....I'm inside thawing out for a bit. Been snowing all morning here.
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72/73, de Roger, N7KT

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 14:57:17 -0800 (PST)
From: rheiss@sprynet.com (Rob Heiss)
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3264] FYBO = Float Your Boat Onshore?
Message-ID: <199802072257.0AA17987@m5.sprynet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

No snow caves in this part of California. Rain, gale, rain, gale, rain, gale, and today rain. I did go outside briefly to fix a dipole tangled in yesterday's 60 mph gale. Got soaked to the skin and scurried inside to operate. Lots of FYBO activity on 40 and 20 meters out west. Sounds like fun. While I'm sheltered inside at 63 degrees F, some operators I worked are braving serious cold, especially:

Gary	W5BI	34F
Roger	N7KT	31F
Joe	AB7TT	35F

Brrrr, how do they move their fingers? Good job, guys!

73, Rob K06KA rheiss@sprynet.com

Date: Sat, 7 Feb 1998 16:41:31 -0600
From: "Marshall Emm" <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU, cqclist@lists.csn.net

Subject: [3265] Why I'm not FMBO
Message-ID: <199802080040.RAA24631@edison.chisp.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

I hope to get on 40M later and hand out a few numbers in the FYBO,
but have been too busy to get on air otherwise today.

One reason I was busy was a shack visit to Larry, WJ1R/UA6HZ, to try
to get HIM on air. Managed the trick with a random wire antenna
around the inside of his apartment and a real antenna tuner. He had
been convinced there wasn't much point in trying because the internal
ATU in his FT920 wouldn't load the wire.

With an almost immediate contact in IL and a 599 report, I think he
was impressed. That's saying something if you know Larry who used to
be like the head of the Russian ARRL equivalent, and a top-ranked
DXer and contester. He's much more used to beams at 100+ feet and a
Kw to heat them up with, but we may make a QRP convert out of him
yet.

Anyhow, if you work him feel free to say hi from me [g]. BTW, he'll
be using a Key-8, (q.v. <http://www.mtechnologies.com/key8.htm>) [g].

73
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Date: Sat, 07 Feb 1998 18:44:23 -0500
From: Grover and Doris T <hapence@pop.erols.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [3266] HW-9 FOR SWAP, FIX OR SALE
Message-ID: <2.2.32.19980207234423.006a8e1c@pop.erols.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

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I have one of the last HW-9s produced(1991/2) which I built as a first HB project - Alas! It has never worked(it hummms nicely) and is well beyond the scope of my ability and limited test tools.

I should have had HK work on it under their warranty program, but, they shut down Kit-Work while I procrastinated.

HW-9 8-Bands: Swap - Sell -Fix any offers??

72 y Paz ..Grover KQ4AL Occoquan, VA USA 38 41 29N 77 18 45W FM18im
QRP/QSLs WAS = 34 DX= XE VE <hapence@erols.com>
QRO/QSLs WAS = 49(-Hawaii) DXCC = 62 IOTA = 27

End of QRP-L Digest 994

